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1. VA LOGO over WHITE GRAPHIC BG

2. ORCA LOGO over WHITE GRAPHIC BG

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3A- F. Multi-layered MONTAGE of VETERANS participating in research/clinical studies. This appears over a colored, moving GRAPHIC BG

TITLES IN:

I'm a veteran. Should I participate in research?

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MUSIC: FADE OUT

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4. MONTAGE that includes exterior shots of VA HOSPITAL and DEPT. OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, STOCK FOOTAGE of PEOPLE using MEDICAL DEVICES that resulted from other studies, and scenes of VETERANS taking MEDICATIONS and/or meeting with DOCTORS, TONY CONNER REVIEWING IMAGES on COMPUTER SCREEN, etc.

5. MONTAGE of PEOPLE taking MEDICATIONS, LAB TECHS working on COMPUTERS, RESEARCHERS using MICROSCOPES and performing TESTS in the LAB BENCH AREA (Basement locations: GE243, GE231)

6. INT-X-RAY READING ROOM (Basement: GD-201)
MS OTS of PHYSICIAN #1 reading an X-RAY

7. INT-EXAM ROOM G
NURSE #5 gives VET #8 his MEDS

DISSOLVE TO:

8. INT-EXAM ROOM D (Second Floor: 2C207)
MWS of NURSE #1 counseling VETERAN #1

9. MCU of VETERAN #1

10. MCU of NURSE #1

MUSIC: NEW BEAT IN TO BG

NARRATOR: ...The Department of Veterans Affairs is one of our nation's leaders in health research, with thousands of studies being conducted at VA medical facilities each year.

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NARRATOR: ...These efforts have contributed significantly to health improvements for thousands of veterans and others.

...None of the advances in health care would be possible...

...without individuals who volunteer to take part in research studies.

...There are many reasons to volunteer.

...To help you make the right decision,

...you need to understand some of the basic requirements for good research...

11. ANOTHER WS of NURSE #1 and
MALE VETERAN #1 as they talk

...and your rights as a research study
participant.

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MUSIC: CROSS-DISSOLVES TO
NEW BEAT

12. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE
SUPER:
What is a research study?

MUSIC: IN BG

DISSOLVE TO:

13. INT-CELL PHYSIOLOGY LAB
(Basement: GD243 -- Data Analysis Area)
WS of BEN GAO working on a
COMPUTER

NARRATOR: ...A research study is an
organized activity...

14. MCU of BEN as he works

...that helps health professionals learn
more about a problem,

15. MCU of BEN'S COMPUTER SCREEN

...or answer questions.

16. STOCK FOOTAGE of MALE
DOCTOR talking to OLDER MALE
VETERAN, who's in a HOSPITAL BED

...The VA conducts many different kinds
of studies.

17. INT-PT/OT AREA
(First Floor? Basement?)
MWS of TECHNICIAN #1 and
PHYSICIAN #2 putting MALE VETERAN
#2 through the paces on a TREADMILL

...Some help determine what health care
practices work best.

18. INT-RESEARCH PHARMACY
(First Floor: Pharmacy)
MS of BINDU as she fills a
PRESCRIPTION

...Others identify the best way to treat or
prevent an illness.

19. INT-RAYE ANNE DORN'S OFFICE
(Second floor: 2CN133)
MS of NURSE #2 talking to MALE
VETERAN #3 while filling out a SURVEY

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NARRATOR: ...A research study may
use a survey or an interview to gather
information.

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20. STOCK FOOTAGE of PILLS

...Clinical trials help determine whether
medicines...

21. INT-VA HOSPITAL PROSTHETICS
OFFICE
(Location: needs to be confirmed)
TILT DOWN TO MS of TECHNICIAN # 2
working with a PROSETHIC DEVICE

...new therapies or new devices are safe
and effective.

22. INT-RESEARCHER OFFICE #1
(Basement: GE 237)
MWS of MIN FU TSAN reviewing
PAPERS

...No matter what kind of study it is, all
are carefully designed and monitored.

23. B-ROLL of FUN ELDERLY COUPLE
taking a walk, shopping, or doing something
else fun and active (good quality of life)

...As a result, the information provided
may help thousands of Americans lead
healthier lives.

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24. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE
SUPER:
Why volunteer for a study?

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25. STOCK FOOTAGE of A FEMALE
PATIENT talking to a MALE DOCTOR.
She is in a HOSPITAL BED

MUSIC: IN BG

NARRATOR: ...Veterans participate in
research studies for a variety of reasons.

26. INT-EXAM ROOM E
(Second Floor: 2C209)
MS of NURSE #3 taking VETERAN #4'S
BLOOD PRESSURE. HE's in a
WHEELCHAIR.

...Some want to help discover a cure for
an illness.

27. INT-ONCOLOGY EXAM ROOM 6
(Second Floor: 2CN117)
NURSE #4 is administering CHEMO to
VETERAN #5

...Others hope the study will find a better
treatment for a condition that they have
themselves.

28. STOCK FOOTAGE of KEVIN
BARNES filling out a FORM at the
KITCHEN TABLE

...Even if the study does not benefit you,
your efforts – and those of veterans like
you -- may result in others being helped
in the future.

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29. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE
SUPER:
*Are there risks to being in a research
study?*

DISSOLVE TO:

30. INT-LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
(Second Floor: 2C South)
MONTAGE of the IRB meeting, from a
variety of angles and focal lengths

NARRATOR: ...Sometimes, research
procedures and drugs cause discomfort
and produce side effects.

31. INT-LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
(Second Floor: 2C South)
MONTAGE of the IRB meeting, from a
variety of angles and focal lengths

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NARRATOR: ...That's why an
Institutional Review Board, or "IRB,"
which is made up of scientists and
people like you, ensures that all human
research is well-planned and ethical
before the study is approved -- and
veterans are asked to participate.

...The IRB also monitors the safety of
every on-going study, to protect
participants.

DISSOLVE TO:

32. INT-DR. FINKELSTEIN'S OFFICE
(First floor: 1D129D)
MWS of an ELDERLY BLACK COUPLE
meeting with RESEARCHER #3. This is
Vet #11 and Wife #2.

...Before you choose to volunteer,

33. MS of RESEARCHER #3 talking to the
COUPLE

...a Research Staff Member will let you
know of the risks and benefits associated
with the study.

34. MS of the Vet #11/ELDERLY MAN

...If you choose to become a participant,
you will continue to be informed...

35. ANOTHER ANGLE of the THREE
PEOPLE as they continue to meet

...of any risks or benefits that are
discovered during the study.

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36. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE
SUPER:
*Questions to ask before agreeing to
participate in a study*

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37. INT-WAITING & RECEPTION
ROOM
(Second Floor: 2C201)
WS of TECHNICIAN # 3 with MALE
VETERAN #6. They are discussing the
ORCA BOOKLET

NARRATOR: ...Before you decide to
volunteer in a research study, you need
to know as much as possible about it.

38. MS of VETERAN #6 opening up the
BOOKLET to the CENTER SECTION

... If you are asked to participate and
have any concerns, be sure to ask
questions.

39. MS of BOOKLET in his HAND

...The Department of Veterans Affairs
has a booklet that lists some of the
questions you may want to ask before
making your decision.

40. ECU of QUESTIONS in the
BOOKLET

...These include questions like, 'how
long will the study last?' and 'what will
happen to me at the end of the study?'

41. LOW ANGLE MS of VETERAN #6
asking a question

...While all the questions in the brochure
may not apply to you, it's a good place
to start.

42. MWS of TECHNICIAN #3 answering
VETERAN #6's question

...If you ask a question and don't
understand the answer, ask again.

43. INT-WAITING & RECEPTION
ROOM
(Second Floor: 2C201)
ANOTHER ANGLE WS of BOTH
PEOPLE

MUSIC: IN BG

NARRATOR: ...Remember: your
decision to participate in a study should
never be made until all of your questions
have been answered.

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44. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE

SUPER:

What is informed consent?

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45. INT-SECOND FLOOR WAITING ROOM
MCU of VETERAN #7 reading the INFORMED CONSENT INFORMATION

NARRATOR: ...Informed consent involves learning the key facts about a research study...

46. ANOTHER ANGLE as VETERAN #7 signs the FORM

...before you decide whether or not to volunteer.

DISSOLVE TO:

47. INT-GAMMA CAMERA ROOM (Basement: GD-204)
MWS of TONY CONNER and MALE VETERAN #7 who is lying on the GAMMA CAMERA TABLE

...Your participation should be based on a clear understanding of what will take place in the study, and how it might affect you.

DISSOLVE TO:

48. INT-DAN DAY'S OFFICE (Second Floor: 2C211)
WS of DAN DAY talking to VETERAN #8

...Informed consent begins when the staff explains the facts about the research study.

49. INT-DAN DAY'S OFFICE
MS of DAN placing the INFORMED CONSENT FORM on the TABLE for VETERAN #8 to sign

MUSIC: IN BG

NARRATOR: ...If you decide to participate, you will be asked to read, and then sign, an informed consent form.

50. SLOW ZOOM IN ON INFORMED CONSENT FORM

...This form includes details about the study, test or procedures you may receive...

51. MS of VETERAN #8 reading the FORM

...the benefits and risks that could result, and your rights as a research volunteer.

52. WS of VETERAN #8 asking DAN a question

...If you don't understand something in the form, ask the staff to explain it to you.

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53. INT-FAMILY ROOM
MS of VETERAN #8 talking with his WIFE

...You may take the form home with you and discuss it with family and friends before making your decision.

DISSOLVE TO:

54. INT-EXAM ROOM G
(Second Floor: 2C208)
MWS of NURSE #5 talking with VETERAN #9

...Remember: Informed consent is more than a piece of paper. It is a process that goes on throughout the study.

55. INT-EXAM ROOM G
(Second Floor: 2C208)
MS of NURSE #5 meeting with VETERAN #9

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NARRATOR: ...It means that during the course of the study, you'll be kept informed of new findings, benefits or risks.

56. MS of VETERAN #9 talking to NURSE #5

...At that time, you can decide whether you want to continue your participation in the study.

57. DELETED SCENE

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58. MS of VETERAN #9 thanking NURSE #5 and shaking hands with her

...You're also acknowledging your right to change your mind – and leave the study at any time, without losing any of your VA health or other benefits.

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59. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE

SUPER:

Who will see my records?

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60. INT-RESEARCHER OFFICE #1
(Basement: GE237)
MWS of MIN FU TSAN reviewing data on a COMPUTER SCREEN

NARRATOR: ...Release of information from you research record...

61. CU of COMPUTER SCREEN

...is limited by laws and policies.

62. INT-RESEARCHER OFFICE #1
MCU of MIN FU TSAN reviewing DATA on his COMPUTER

MUSIC: IN BG

NARRATOR: ...It may only be given to people on a “need-to-know” basis.

DISSOLVE TO:

63. INT-CELL CULTURE LAB
(Basement: GE220)
MS of TECHNICIAN #4 peering into a MICROSCOPE HIS DESK

...This includes the researchers who are involved in the study...

64. INT-DR. FINKELSTEIN'S OFFICE
(First Floor: 1D129D)
FRONT ANGLE MS of DRUG COMPANY
EMPLOYEE (in a suit) reading
RESEARCH STUDY RESULTS at

...the company or group funding it...

65. INT-ANNA ALT-WHITE'S OFFICE
(Basement: GE223 - Anna's office)
MS of ANNA and JOAN discussing data
results

...and those who make sure the study is
safe – and carried out the way it was
planned.

66. ANOTHER ANGLE of SAME

...These restrictions help the VA make
sure that your rights and welfare are
protected at every stage of the study.

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67. GRAPHIC TITLE PAGE

SUPER:

What if I do not want to take part in a research study?

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68. INT-PATIENT ROOM
(Second floor: 2D126/other private room)
MWS of PHYSICIAN #3 talking to
VETERAN #10

NARRATOR: ...If anyone asks you to
participate in a research study, you have
the right to say "no."

69. MS of VETERAN #10

...Remember: your decision will not affect
your VA health care or benefits.

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70. DELETED SCENE

DISSOLVE TO:

71. INT-RESEARCHER #2 OFFICE
(Basement: GE234 – Wet office)
MWS of VETERAN #10 asking questions of
RESEARCHER #4

...If you do choose to volunteer for the study, be sure to ask questions – and weigh both the risks and the benefits carefully.

DISSOLVE TO:

72. INT-SWING SPACE PATIENT ROOM
(Second Floor: 2D204)
MWS of VETERAN #10 as he talks with
PHYSICIAN #4 and they shake hands

...Taking these steps will help you decide if volunteering to participate in a research study is the right decision for you.

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